DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-92-02

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY CAPI PROGRAM MANAGERS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[] State Law Change
[] Federal Law or Regulation Change
[] Court Order or Settlement
Agreement
[] Clarification Requested by
One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: JANUARY 2003 COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS THAT AFFECT

THE CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANTS

REFERENCE: ACIN I-98-01

This All-County Information Notice (ACIN) provides the new Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI) Payment Standards, effective January 1, 2003, and the payment standards that will be effective on June 1, 2003. The attached CAPI payment standards charts detail the payment standards for the two different effective dates.

As required by Section 18941 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, the CAPI payment standards are based on the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) standards, minus \$10.00 for an individual and \$20.00 for a couple. Assembly Bill (AB) 692 (Chapter 1024, Statutes of 2002) delays the effective date of the State SSP Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) from January 1, to June 1, 2003. Although there will be no increase in the State-funded SSP amount in January, AB 692 does require that the SSI/SSP payment standards be increased by the amount of the federal SSI COLA on January 1, 2003. The increased CAPI payment standards, which will become effective on January 1, 2003, are a result of the federal COLA for SSI, and are reflected in Attachment A.

The State SSP COLA, effective June 1, 2003, will increase the SSI/SSP standards (that were in effect during the month of December 2002) by 3.74 percent, and are reflected in Attachment B.

The separate federal SSI COLA also affects the following values for the entire calendar year and can impact CAPI eligibility and benefit amounts:

PRESUMED MAXIMUM VALUE (PMV) OF IN-KIND SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE

• To compute this value, take 1/3 of the federal SSI amount and add \$20.00. This changes the PMV from \$201.66 to \$204.00 for an individual and from \$292.33 to \$296.33 for a couple.

ALLOWANCE FOR INELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN DEEMING SITUATIONS

- To compute this allowance, determine the difference between the federal SSI benefit amount for a couple and the federal SSI benefit amount for an individual. This computation changes the allowance from \$272.00 to \$277.00.
- This allowance is entered, when appropriate, on the Income Eligibility Worksheet (SOC 452), line B.2.a, when determining a CAPI benefit amount for a case involving deemed income from an ineligible spouse.

SPONSOR'S ALLOCATION IN ALIEN DEEMING SITUATIONS

- This allocation equals the federal SSI rate for an individual. The federal SSI COLA changes the allocation from \$545.00 to \$552.00.
- This allowance is entered, when appropriate, on the Sponsor to Alien Deeming Worksheet (SOC 454), line 2, when determining a CAPI benefit amount for a case involving deemed income from a sponsor.

Any questions regarding these adjustments should be directed to your Operations Analyst at (916) 229-4582.

Sincerely.

Original Document Signed By

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Attachments

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

CAPI PAYMENT STANDARDS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003 BASED ON JANUARY 2003 SSI/SSP STANDARDS

	INDEPENDENT LIVING			REDUCED NEEDS			NON-MEDICAL OUT-OF-HOME CARE (NMOHC)					
	RESIDING IN OWN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD OF ANOTHER WITH IN-KIND ROOM & BOARD			HOUSEHOLD OF RELATIVE WITH IN-KIND ROOM & BOARD AND CERTIFIED NMOHC		IN LICENSED FACILITY OR HOUSEHOLD OF RELATIVE WITHOUT IN-KIND ROOM & BOARD			
	TOTAL CAPI		TOTAL SSI/SSP	TOTAL CAPI		TOTAL SSI/SSP	TOTAL CAPI		TOTAL SSI/SSP	TOTAL CAPI		TOTAL SSI/SSP
INDIVIDUAL: AGED OR DISABLED - without cooking facilities (RMA) 1/ BLIND DISABLED MINOR - living with parent(s) - living with non-parent relative or non-relative guardian	747.00 826.00 809.00 640.00 640.00		757.00 836.00 819.00 650.00 650.00	568.66 N/A 644.66 450.66 450.66		578.66 N/A 654.66 460.66 460.66	730.66 N/A 730.66 730.66		740.66 N/A 740.66 740.66	915.00 N/A 915.00 915.00		925.00 N/A 925.00 925.00
COUPLE:	ВОТН САРІ	ONE CAPI, ONE SSI	BOTH SSI/SSP	ВОТН САРІ	ONE CAPI, ONE SSI	BOTH SSI/SSP	ВОТН САРІ	ONE CAPI, ONE SSI	BOTH SSI/SSP	ВОТН САРІ	ONE CAPI, ONE SSI	BOTH SSI/SSP
AGED OR DISABLED - per couple - without cooking facilities (RMA) 1/	1,324.00 1,482.00	1,334.00 1,492.00	1,344.00 1,502.00	1,079.00 N/A	1,089.00 N/A	1,099.00 N/A	1,501.00 N/A	1,511.00 N/A	1,521.00 N/A	1,830.00 N/A	1,840.00 N/A	1,850.00 N/A
BLIND per couple	1,536.00	1,546.00	1,556.00	1,292.00	1,302.00	1,312.00	1,501.00	1,511.00	1,521.00	1,830.00	1,840.00	1,850.00
BLIND/AGED OR DISABLED - per couple	1,457.00	1,467.00	1,477.00	1,211.00	1,221.00	1,231.00	1,501.00	1,511.00	1,521.00	1,830.00	1,840.00	1,850.00

TITLE XIX MEDICAL FACILITY							
		Individual	Couple				
Total CAPI		\$37	\$74				
SSI/SSP		47	94				

1/ RMA - Restaurant Meals Allowance - \$79 Individual; \$158 Couple